



## MVCC Green Committee Meeting

Sunday, May 25, 2014

### Agenda

#### Mar Vista Farmers Market

Grand View at Venice Blvd.

Adjacent to the Post Office

Co-Chairs – Jeanne Kuntz, Melissa Stoller

1. Call to order
2. Public comment
3. Motion to approve April minutes

#### 4. Reports

- MVCC Green Tent
- Developing a definition of Mar Vista as a livable community

#### 5. Presentations

- Water LA (Jessica Sanchez, The River Project outreach)
- Chem trails (Dennis Lobstein)
- Floride in municipal water supply (Dennis Lobstein)

#### 6. Old business update

- Fracking motion

In July, 2012, the Mar Vista Community Council passed a motion asking Governor Brown to impose an immediate ban on fracking in California in order to protect our public health and environment.

Fracking continues in California, but the California State Senate is now addressing this issue. The Mar Vista Community Council supports SB 1132, by Sens. Holly J. Mitchell (D-Los Angeles) and Mark Leno (D-San Francisco). The bill would impose a moratorium on fracking, and on a related process that injects acid into the ground to break up rock, until state research determines whether and how it can be done safely. MVCC believes the time to ascertain that fracking and acid injection do not threaten public health and safety and our California environment is before any potential damage is done.

#### 7. New business

- Water LA motion

The Mar Vista Neighborhood Council believes that water is of paramount importance to the City of Los Angeles. We support the Mayor's goal of cutting imported supplies in half by 2025. We want to be active participants in reaching this goal, but currently lack consistent guidance, reliable incentives, resources and support. The Water LA program has been providing these tools to Panorama City and Studio City, and we request that your office do what it can to bring the program to our community.

8. Public comment
9. Motion to adjourn

**RECYCLED WATER ADVISORY GROUP**  
**CONSENSUS STATEMENT**

Los Angeles and all of Southern California face an increasing shortage of water.

The Recycled Water Advisory Group (RWAG) strongly supports use of purified recycled water to augment the groundwater supply that Los Angeles draws on for its drinking water. Purified recycled water is advanced treated wastewater (sewage) that undergoes microfiltration, reverse osmosis, and ultraviolet and hydrogen peroxide disinfection, resulting in water that meets or exceeds all drinking water standards.

Additionally, RWAG supports continuing other uses of recycled water, including for irrigation, industrial and commercial purposes.

In pursuing the increased use of recycled water, we urge the City of Los Angeles to maintain the highest levels of safety, assure cost-effectiveness, and communicate with the people of Los Angeles in a timely, open and transparent manner. RWAG recommends conducting a rigorous independent financial analysis of the recycled water program, including the impact on rates, subject to on-going review by the Ratepayers Advocate.

After reviewing and contributing to the City's plans for recycling wastewater and considering other successful major water reuse programs, we conclude that, properly implemented, indirect potable reuse of purified recycled water will be a reliable and safe component of the Los Angeles water supply.

RWAG is an independent broad-based affiliation of individuals representing environmental, business, and community groups; Neighborhood Councils; technical organizations; and other interested parties convened by the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power and the Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation to address water supply issues of the City of Los Angeles.